

Public Services

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It's my pleasure to submit the 2011-2012 annual report on behalf the Public Services Department. The Public Service Department encompasses the Public Works Department, The Parks Department and the Val Halla Grounds Department. Public Services employs 14 full-time employees and 11 part-time employees who maintain over 78 miles of road infrastructure, 500 acres of Town owned land and one of the best golf courses in Maine. The department also oversees the maintenance of all Town owned buildings and all large capital projects and capital equipment purchases.

The Public Services team worked together on many projects this year including drainage upgrades at Valhalla Golf Course along with the construction of a new putting green and three new tees. They constructed 3 new bridges in the Rines Forest, and rebuilt a mile of trails at the Twin Brook Recreation facility. In the winter, the all three departments came together as one team that worked together during all snow storms to ensure that the streets were plowed, sidewalks were cleared and the school roads and parking areas were cleaned out and safe for our residents and guests.

The talent and dedication of the group of employees that make up this department continues to make the Public Services Department one of the Towns best assets.

Christopher Bolduc

Director of Public Services



Drainage repairs and
course improvements
at Val Halla

Trail work in Twin Brook
to make the trails
passable even during the
rainy seasons



Road repairs and
maintenance are an
ongoing function of
the department

Public Works

Steve Googins

Public Works Foreman

The Public Works Division of the Cumberland Public Services functions in many capacities for the town. In addition to maintaining the road and drainage systems for the town, the Public Works Department serves as a support for Twin Brook Recreation Area, Val Halla Golf Facility, Police and Fire Departments, is the home of the Town's Brush Dump and composting facility. The Department also provides support to the MSAD 51 school department with plowing and sweeping and grounds maintenance when asked. The Public Works Department processed over 300 work orders this past year, this work consisted of everything from replacing large cross culverts in roadways to setting up voting booths at Town Hall. No matter if it is a large project or simply assisting a resident with fixing a mail box the public works crew always completes the task in a professional and timely manner.



This year the Public Works Department hosted the first of what we hope will be an annual E-Waste collection event; disposing of over 20,000 pounds of computers and TV's for Cumberland residents.



Public Works joins with the Val Halla grounds to improve drainage on the course.

Services Provided by Public Works:

Trash Removal:

- Curbside waste removal
- Curbside Recycling
- E Waste Collection
- Brush Dump
- Bulky Item Pickup
- E-Waste Collection

Environmental:

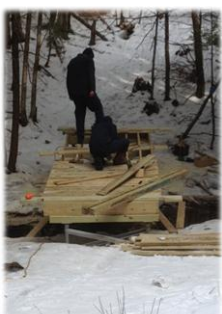
- Composting Facility
 - Compost testing results are available at www.cumberlandmaine.com
- Waste Oil Recycling
- Storm Drain Maintenance
 - Storm Water Outfall Inspections
 - Street Sweeping & Catch Basin Maintenance

Road Maintenance:

- Snow Removal for Roads
- Sidewalk Clearing
- Street Sweeping
- Maintaining culverts and drainage
- Patching and Repair
- Brushing and Ditching
- Road signage

Interdepartmental Services:

- North Yarmouth Sidewalk Plowing
- Fire & Police Vehicle Maintenance
- Heavy Equipment support at Val Halla
 - Installation of drainage at Val Halla
 - Development of Cart Parking at Val Halla
- Project Support at Twin Brook
 - Installation of the Community Garden
 - Plowing Twin Brooks



As part of Public Work's support services, this past year the department worked in conjunction with the Parks Department to build 3 new bridges in the Rines Forest to make the Rines Forest Trail system more accessible during all seasons.





Parks Department

Theo Bosarge, III
Parks Foreman



The Parks Department is responsible for maintaining over 500 Acres of Town owned property that includes 22 acres of mixed athletic fields, 3 little league fields, a baseball and a softball field. The Department maintains the grounds at the Library, Monuments, Cumberland Commons, Twin Brook, Rines Forest, Town Hall, Drowne Road and the Fire Stations.



There are over 22 acres of mixed athletic fields, baseball and softball fields, soccer fields, restroom facilities and more than 4 miles of wooded walking trails in the Twin Brook Facility alone, which take the majority of the Park Staff's time. All the athletic fields at Twin Brook and the West Cumberland facility are mowed 3 times a week during the growing season. This combined with the over 60 acres of park area means our large 12-foot mowers can be seen operating almost daily around Town.

In the winter months, the staff will groom many of the Twin Brook trails for cross country skiing but the staff also supports the Public Works department in plowing the town's roads and clearing the sidewalks; all of which means this is a flexible and well trained group of employees.



The Parks Department also maintains over 4 miles of walking trails through the Rines Forest, 1.5 of trails through the woods at the Town Office and over 4 miles of wooded walking trails at Twin Brook. This Year, the Parks Staff worked in conjunction with the Public Works staff to build three new bridges in the Rines Forest. Between the bridges additions and the extensive trail improvements at Twin Brook, the Parks Department now offers a larger and more comprehensive trail system for its residents.

Val Halla Grounds and Maintenance

Toby Young
Val Halla Grounds Superintendent



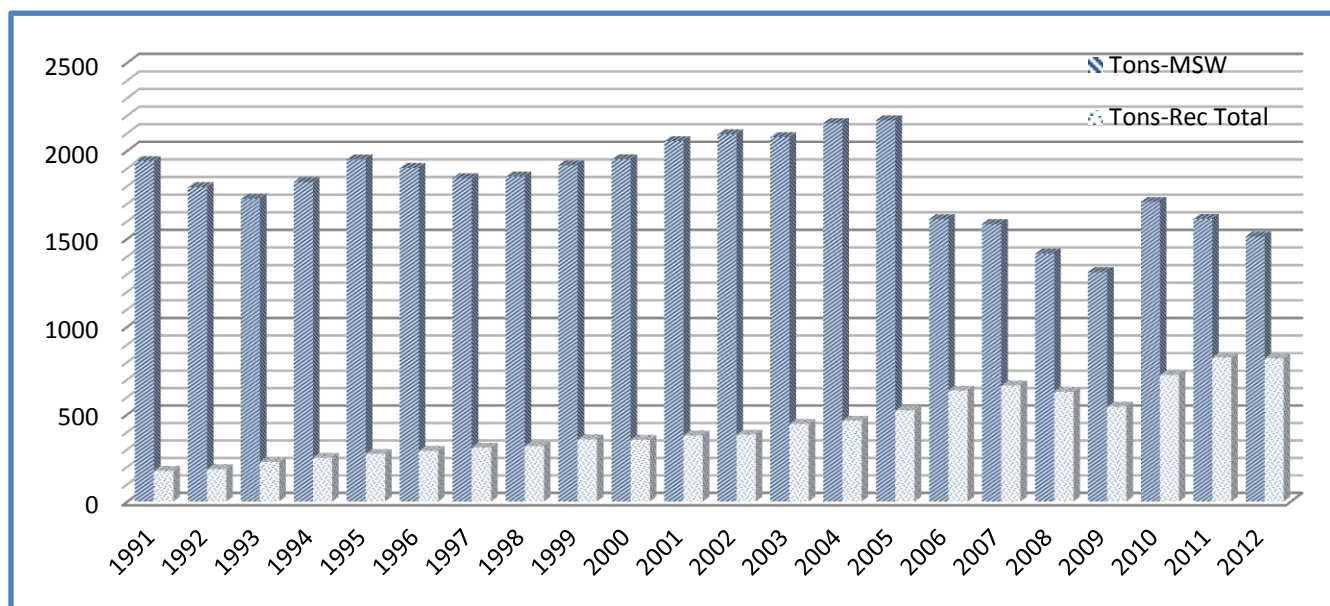
This past year saw many new improvements being made on the Val Halla grounds. In conjunction with the Public Works Department, the staff re-sodded the men's 1st and 2nd tees and built a new ladies' tee on the 2nd hole. Drainage along the 12th hole and a new cart path on the 13th hole will improve habitual wet areas making it passable by golf carts. This will bring in more revenue from carts during rainy times than we have seen in previous years.

The new bent grass putting green and 'green' tee for the 10th hole allows room for junior clinics without taking up space on the actual 10th hole.

The staff continues to work on clearing and thinning of several sections of woods surrounding holes to increase air movement and help produce healthier turf. As always, the staff works long, hard days starting early in the morning to ensure the carts, cart paths and the golf course continually meet and exceed the standards set in past years.

Recycling

Recycling is economical for everyone and Cumberland continues to reduce its waste and improve its recycling. In order to make it easier for our residents, Cumberland now participates in Single Sort Recycling. This means you do not have to separate out your recyclables; however, your recyclables should remain clean and well contained for pickup.



In an effort to continually improve our recycling program, more materials are being accepted.

Recycling Plastic

#1-#7 rigid plastic containers. To help you determine if something can be recycled here at ecomaine, we suggest applying these three tests:

Test #1– Is it marked with the chasing arrow triangle with a number from 1-7?

Test #2- Is it rigid or does it have a hard form?

Test #3– Is it a container?

If a plastic item passes all three tests, we can recycle it through ecomaine!

But wait...there are exceptions to every rule; 1. No form of foam (Styrofoam) is recyclable at ecomaine, so even if it passes all three tests it is still not recyclable because ecomaine can't find a factory who will buy it. 2. Plastic shopping sacks are recycled at ecomaine. Although it fails Test #2, we will recycle a shopping sack.

How to Prepare Materials- Make *clean* enough for storage in your home. You do not have to rinse containers, but remove any leftover food. Crushing flat and leaving labels on is okay.

What to Exclude: **NO** containers with something in them, especially those containing flammable liquids such as paint thinner or gasoline.

Recycling Paper

What Can Be Recycled- We can recycle most paper. Specifically, mixed papers & old mail, newspapers, magazines, phone books, catalogs, paperback & hard bound books with covers torn off, and paper bags.

How to Prepare Materials- Keep clean and dry. Remove any product samples and plastic cards from mail. Deposit loose or in brown paper bags. Books should have all covers removed, including paperback books. **What to Exclude:** **NO** carbon paper, **NO** photographs, **NO** foil paper, **NO** paper contaminated with food, and **NO** tissue paper.

Recycling Paperboard and Cardboard

What Can Be Recycled- Specifically, clean food boxes with all metal and plastic removed. Acceptable materials include cereal, rice, & cake mix boxes, salt boxes, plastic wrap boxes (not the plastic wrap itself) medicine, toiletry, aspirin, Band-Aid & shirt boxes. Toilet paper & paper towel tubes, writing pad backs, poster board, egg cartons and clean corrugated cardboard boxes.

How to Prepare Materials- Discard paper, foil and plastic liners. Discard metal spouts and cutting strips as on salt and plastic wrap boxes. Use caution to prevent injury. Keep all materials clean and dry. Fold flat and deposit loose or in brown paper bags.

What to Exclude: **NO** waxed paper or waxed cardboard boxes such as vegetables and meats are shipped in, **NO** foil, **NO** plastic liners.

Recycling Glass

What Can Be Recycled- Clear and colored glass bottles and jars

How to Prepare Materials- Make clean enough for storage in your home. You do not have to rinse containers. You do not need to crush the glass and leaving labels on is okay.

What to Exclude: **NO** auto glass, such as windshields, **NO** safety glass with a plastic or metal inner membrane, **NO** ceramic or mirror glass.

Recycling Cans and Aluminum

What Can Be Recycled- Metal food and beverage cans, aluminum foil, aluminum trays and pans, and empty aerosol cans.

How to Prepare Materials- Make clean enough for storage in your home. You do not have to rinse containers. Crush flat and leaving labels on is okay.

What to Exclude: **NO** propane tanks or bottles.

Bulky Item Pickup Week

This event is held one week in May and one week in October.

A Bulky Item Pickup Week was designed to assist the Residents of Cumberland in the disposal of large, oversized items that cannot fit into the Town's PAYT bags in the weekly trash or be recycled in regular curbside recycling.

This program is not designed to be a free trash disposal week.

Smaller items that could fit into a PAYT bag should be disposed of with your weekly trash.

For more information, please visit the Public Service page at www.cumberlandmaine.com

Items Accepted:

Bicycles
2 Tires (if rims have been removed)
Washers & Dryers
Rolled carpet
Chairs
Couches
Tables and other Furniture
Large Exercise Equipment
Paint Cans (if OPEN and DRY)

Items NOT Accepted:

Gas and Gasoline Containers
Any Hazardous Waste
Plastic Bags of Trash
Cardboard or Glass
Bags or Boxes of smaller items
Bags or Boxes of Clothing or Textiles
Yard or Tree Waste
Construction Material and Wood Products
TV's & Computers
Appliances containing Freon

